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VILLAGE OF PORT HOPE AWARDED \$200,000 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANT

(LANSING)—State Senator Jim Barcia (D-Bay City) announced today the award of a \$200,000 Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) community block grant for the Village of Port Hope.

"This is a great opportunity for the community of Port Hope," said Barcia. "They will be able to use this money to extend water and sewer to the proposed new Huron Medical Center, as well as build a sidewalk linking the Center to the downtown area."

Huron Medical Center is expected to invest approximately \$500,000 into the new facility, which will be located on M-25 near the entrance to the community. The new medical center is expected to create 10 new jobs in the Village of Port Hope.

"I'm very glad the MEDC saw the benefits of the project," said Barcia. "The new Huron Medical Center is an important development opportunity for Port Hope and the surrounding communities."

State Senator Jim Barcia represents the 31st Senate District, which includes Arenac, Bay, Huron, Sanilac, and Tuscola counties. He is a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, where he serves as Vice-Chair of the subcommittees on Agriculture, Environmental Quality, Natural Resources, and Transportation.